

# KOSTERLITZKY LOSES NOGALES UNDER RAIN OF OBREGON BULLETS

In One of Most Stubborn Battles of Mexican Revolution, Pretty American Town is Imperiled by Mexican Rifle Fire, and Efforts of United States Troops to Protect Streets Prove Almost Fruitless in Face of Desperate Attacks and Resistance; Anti-Huerta Forces as Result of Victory Over "Iron Man" Now Own Practically All United States Border; Agua Prieta Falls Without Shot Being Fired and Constitutionalists Are Triumphant in Northern Sonora

(Associated Press Dispatch)

NOGALES, Ariz., March 13.—Colonel Emilio Kosterlitzky, commanding the federal garrison at Nogales in Sonora, surrendered to General Manuel Obregon, commanding the rebels, at 6:40 tonight after a terrific battle which lasted throughout the day, in which it is estimated that at least one hundred were killed on both sides.

Today's victory over Kosterlitzky, Huerta's "Iron Man" here, throws practically the entire portion of the insurgent border of the state into the hands of the anti-Huerta forces. Agua Prieta fell yesterday without a shot. General Ojeda, marching to assist Nogales, must traverse a hundred miles of trail with poor horses and all the railways are cut between Naco and this point. Naco, a subordinate port to Nogales, remains in the hands of not more than two hundred federal regulars. At Cananea, the American mining center, below Naco, the federal garrison has been mingling peacefully with the force of state troops, indicating no resistance to the almost overwhelming landslide against Huerta which will occur at that point. Strong detachments of constitutionalists from the vicinity below Douglas are pursuing Ojeda's column of some five hundred federal regulars, mostly refugees from the routed federal garrisons at El Tigre and Nacoari.

Constitutionalists who overthrew the federal garrison at Nogales, Sonora, are tonight in possession of the border town after a fight which continued with little abatement for twelve hours. The casualties are estimated at one hundred dead and twice as many wounded on both sides, although an accurate count was not made. Private Allen A. Unifect of Troop G, Fifth Cavalry, U. S. A., was wounded seriously by rebel bullet while doing police duty near the international line here. The shot passed through his face from nose to ear. No other Americans were injured. Unifect was shot down when the attack was at its height. Lieut. Col. Tate in charge of the Fifth Cavalry patrol instantly sent word to Gen. Obregon in command of the rebel forces:

"You have shot one of my men. Cease firing or I will be after you at once."

At the same moment the firing from the regulars under Col. Kosterlitzky and Reyes was slackened. By some preconcerted arrangement Tate called a bugler and ordered him to sound the Mexican "cease firing" order. The federal garrison instantly obeyed, but desultory firing continued to come from the besiegers.

Gen. Obregon succeeded in holding back the firing of his men, so the colonels Kosterlitzky and Reyes with their forces were able to cross to the United States, where they surrendered to Col. Wilber E. Wilder of the Fifth Cavalry, who arrived too late to take command of the American troops. The Mexican

## CYCLONE VISITS LOUISIANA TOWN.

ALEXANDRIA, March 13.—The town of Providence, La., fifty-two miles west of here was practically wiped out by a cyclone which struck here today. A negro boy was killed and fifteen were injured. The storm cut a swath from three to five hundred feet wide, demolishing business houses and twenty-five homes.

# NOGALES SCRAP DRAWS FROM LEGISLATURE

Representative Harry Saxon and Secretary Con P. Cronin Leave for Scene of Latest Mexican Struggle in Border Town

Bullets flying and men lurking behind "dobe walls" to take human life, whosever it might be, a hard battle not a hundred and fifty miles from Phoenix—this formed a powerful drag on Nogales residents temporarily in Phoenix and as a result many left yesterday for the scene of the battle that raged all the afternoon in the border town. Among those who went to the front in order to safeguard their people were Representative Harry Saxon and Secretary Con P. Cronin of the senate. Senator Harrison of Santa Cruz, whose family have already been cared for, did not go yesterday, though if any new developments make it necessary he will undoubtedly hurry home.

Nogales, one of the prettiest little towns in Arizona was the theater of war yesterday from early morning until late in the afternoon. As in no other border town battle, the Nogales fight imperiled the lives of Americans and Mexicans alike. Situated as it is with the line running right through the center of the town and crossing the main north and south street right at the Southern Pacific, the hostilities of the federal and constitutionalists brought danger to every one in rifle range. The hilltops to the east of the town were filled with ambushed federal forces who fired scattering into the town in an effort to stop the advances of the Obregon forces, displaying from the low knolls south of town and edging their way slowly toward the defense lines of Kosterlitzky's small force. It was this miscellaneous firing of the attackers and defenders alike that sent a hail of bullets into the American side of the town. Houses were struck, windmills smashed and in one or two cases slight wounds inflicted on unwary inhabitants. The United States troops kept a battery of machine guns lined along the hundred foot neutral zone by means of which they were prepared to sweep the line and the main streets of the town in case the combatants should cross either inadvertently or with the intention of escaping or flanking each other.

The battle being long drawn out, the wounded lay a long time in the sun without water and without aid. American Red Cross workers did as much as they could and braved no small amount of danger in an effort to help the Mexican wounded, but experienced an uncomfortable difficulty in getting through the lines.

American residents of Nogales were kept out of the streets as much as possible by soldiers and citizens. Judge Frank J. Duffy kept the wires hot to all points in Arizona informing Nogales people away from home of the state of affairs. It was the telegrams of the judge that induced Representative Saxon and Secretary Cronin to go to the scene of the fight. The family of Mr. Cronin is in Nogales, but all Mr. Saxon's people have been taken to places of safety either in other towns or at ranches north of the embattled city.

## SWOPE NOT SICK MAN

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—Col. Thomas H. Swope was not a sick man on the day of his death. Twenty minutes after Dr. Hyde administered a certain capsule he was dead. Twenty minutes is the exact time required for cyanide of potassium to act. These were the declarations of Prosecutor Jacobs in his argument to the jury today in the third Hyde murder trial.

## PASS BOXING BILL

SALT LAKE CITY, March 13.—Without a dissenting vote, a bill legalizing fifteen round boxing bouts passed the senate today, and is now going to the governor. The measure provides for a boxing commission which follows the New York law.



# WILSON BEGINS CAMPAIGN FOR PROGRESSIVES

Will Support Progressive Republicans Now in Congress and Has Arranged to Consult With Senator La Follette and Others

WASHINGTON, March 13.—President Wilson began today a campaign in support of the progressive republicans now in congress. He arranged to consult with Senator La Follette at the White House tomorrow night, when the legislative policies, including the tariff and conservation measures will be discussed.

The president will consult freely with the progressive republican group in congress, and endeavor to obtain their aid in pushing through progressive legislation.

Democratic forces took charge of the senate today, elected new officers to preside over that body and paved the way for a re-organization of the committees now in control of legislative affairs.

Another session of the democratic "steering committee" lasting late into the evening brought the committee lists near to completion. It is expected that the democratic caucus tomorrow will prepare all the committees for presentation to the senate on Saturday.

The personnel of the finance committee, which will handle all the tariff bills, became definitely known tonight. As now agreed upon, the committee is as follows:

Democrats—Chairman, Senator Simmons of North Carolina; Senators Stone of Missouri, Williams of Mississippi, Johnson of Maine, Shively of Indiana, Gore of Oklahoma, Thomas of Colorado, James of Kentucky and Hughes of New Jersey.

Republicans—Senators Penrose of Pennsylvania, Lodge of Massachusetts, McCumber of North Carolina, Smoot of Utah, Gallinger of New Hampshire, Clark of Wyoming and La Follette of Wisconsin.

## WATER USERS MEETING IN DISTRICT NO. 5

There will be a mass meeting of the water users of District No. 5 at the Neighborhood House on Seventh street two miles south of the Center street bridge on Saturday night March 15th at 8 o'clock to appoint candidates for governor and councillor in the approaching Water Users' election.

# Burleson May Be Possessed of The Plums Solution

Washington, March 13.—President Wilson's advisers have hit upon a solution of the two political problems confronting the administration which promise to be most troublesome—what kind of democrats will get the plums from the political tree, and how the thousands of democrats throughout the country will be given a fighting chance to at least get near the tree.

Within the next few days Postmaster General Burleson is expected to present to the president's consideration a plan which will open to the democrats the 35,000 postmasterhips of the third and fourth class, placed under the civil service recently by President Taft. Burleson said tonight he had not decided whether to ask the president for a revocation of this order. If he declines against asking a revocation, he will suggest that postmasters who are benefited by the Taft order will be required to pass a merit test which will be open also to others.

If the president took the first course, thousands of postmasterships will be available at once, and if he chose the other, the democrats who entered the competition would have as good a chance as the republican incumbents.

## DEFENDING KOHLER.

CLEVELAND, March 13.—In an attempt to prove the presence of "Galen Hall" chief Kohler at other places than the home of Samuel D. Scheerer, on the two nights specified in the charges of gross immorality, the defense placed several police officers on the stand today. It is expected that Kohler will take the stand in his own defense tomorrow.

## ALLIES REPLY POSTPONED.

LONDON, March 13.—Owing to the postponement of the reply of the Balkan allies to the powers regarding mediation, the reassembling in London of the ambassadorial conference was deferred probably until Saturday.

## MORGAN IN ROME.

ROME, March 13.—J. Pierpont Morgan arrived from Naples today. He intends to remain in Rome for three weeks.

# ESPEE AND UPEE CONCUR IN PLAN OF DISSOLVING

Modified Proposal in Following Out Court's Mandate Provides for Traffic Agreement Without Tracking Privileges to Central

NEW YORK, March 13.—Southern Pacific company with the concurrence of the Union Pacific railroad company, announced today a modified plan of dissolution under the United States supreme court decree in place of original plan which recently met with such serious opposition before the California railroad commission. The new plan as outlined by Julius Kruttschnitt chairman of the Southern Pacific substantially provides for a traffic agreement without tracking privileges to the Union Pacific and Central Pacific. In brief, the Southern Pacific is willing to carry the Union Pacific Central Pacific traffic over the Benicia cut off and California terminals, instead of allowing those roads the direct use of this cut off and Southern Pacific terminals. Incidentally although this was not referred to by Chairman Kruttschnitt the acceptance by the federal authorities and the California commission of these provisions would effectively bar out the Western Pacific, which asserted its right to use the Benicia cut off and Southern Pacific terminals.

## Submit Modified Plan

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—Modified plans dissolving the Harriman merger of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific properties as submitted to the California State Railroad commission tonight differ but slightly in their larger aspect from the original plans put forward by the Harriman executive and approved by former Attorney General Wickes and rejected by the California Railroad Commission which urged the objections of Western Pacific unit of the Gould system of railways. They averred however the stumbling block in the path of the first proposals, namely an exclusive lease by the Southern Pacific to the Central Pacific of the Benicia short line between Oakland and Sacramento and the western terminus of the Central Pacific system, which another clause in the agreement provided was to be acquired by sale by the Union Pacific thus giving last named system a direct outlet to San Francisco Bay for trans-continental traffic, the proposed lease was to run 999 years and gave the Central

# ROOSEVELT FOR MOST THOROUGH ORGANIZATION

Says Only Through Study and Hard Work Can Ideals Be Secured Upon Which Are Based Platform of Progressive Party.

## TALKS AT FIRST BIG CONFERENCE

Lays Particular Stress on Educational Side of the Work to Be Accomplished in Acquiring Social and Industrial Facts

PHILADELPHIA, March 13.—Charting the need of thorough organization for studying and securing the ideals on which the platform of the progressive party is based, Former President Theodore Roosevelt addressed an audience tonight which crowded the Metropolitan Opera House. The meeting marked the close of the first day of a two day's session of the first annual progressive conference in the state of Pennsylvania.

The members of the electoral college of this state who voted for Roosevelt for president and the leaders of the Washington party who conducted the Washington campaign for him were leaders of the conference which has as its aim the perpetuation of the party. Col. Roosevelt, Dean Draper W. Lewis, of the University of Pennsylvania Law School and Rev. George L. Perrin of Massachusetts in addresses tonight laid stress on the educational side of the work to be accomplished in acquiring social and industrial facts on which to base the necessity of the proposed reforms.

In introducing Col. Roosevelt, Dean Lewis said:

"We have met here tonight to listen to a man who is the leader of the most wonderful awakening of modern times. There are few who doubt he has done more than anyone man to arouse the conscience of the people. He grew a personal force making for better things."

Col. Roosevelt said in part:

"The progressive party has been founded primarily to render social and industrial service. This means of course that there must be clean politics. The first requisite of any movement for any species of betterment in this country must be honesty."

"The most characteristic, the most essential and most original form of the work we are undertaking is the work of progressive service. We intend to realize the new freedom for which this nation strives, by social research of which information is the keynote; then by an immediate transference of the knowledge thus acquired into action by a political organization of which service will be the watchword. The progressive service branch of our party activities devoted to social research is in an organized and efficient shape, and we are endeavoring to correlate it with action that there may be the need of the public. We remember always we are not engaged merely in an action and investigation without action."

"Our party is not in power; but it is our duty to formulate public opinion so that it shall insist upon action along the lines we indicate. We recognize the urgent need of strengthening our party by means of organization and the extension of our machinery; but we recognize with equal emphasis that the machinery while imperatively necessary, is of use only if treated as a practical means of securing applied realism."

The progressive service was organized because our party for the first time in the history of any great party in this country has recognized the party organization can best be strengthened by continuous and organized party work for definite aims and ideals.

"Our headquarters, national and state, are open all the year round so that men and women (for men and women are on absolute equality in our party) can meet to discuss political issues and social and economic issues and plan for putting a little farther in advance the outposts of progressivism."

"I congratulate you men of Pennsylvania on the fight the progressive party is making to the legislature to achieve that purpose and thereby justify its existence. All your proposed laws are good; the primary law for instance, and the corrupt practices act, but peculiar importance attaches to the three acts proposed for regulating child labor, employment of women and creating a minimum wage. Underpaid wage earners is one worst evil itself but is at the bottom of the sweatshop problem."

"What I have said applies no less to the women's labor act. It is wicked not to regulate the working hours and factory conditions of women who are compelled to earn their own living. The present employer who cares for the health and com-

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# IMPORTANT MEETING TONIGHT OF THE TAX PAYERS LEAGUE

A meeting of the members of the Maricopa County Non-Partisan Taxpayers' League, also all citizens who are interested in taxation, is called to meet at the court room of the county court house, Phoenix, at 7:30 p. m. on Friday, March 14.

At this meeting an important report of the executive committee of the League relative to pending legislation, will be presented, and an address will be made by Mr. William Young, an eminent tax expert who has been in conference for the last few days with the officers of the League; also by Mr. J. N. Gaines, the secretary of the Cochise County Taxpayers' Association, who is co-operating with this League.

In view of the great importance of the matters to be considered, the committees hopes for a large attendance at this meeting.

DWIGHT B. HEARD,

President.

GEO. H. SMALLEY,

Secretary.

Maricopa County Non-Partisan Taxpayers' League.